IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT(S) : Ogata et al.

TITLE : TITANIA-METAL COMPOSITE AND

METHOD FOR PREPARATION THEREOF, AND FILM FORMING METHOD USING DISPERSION COMPRISING THE COMPOSITE

APPLICATION NO. : 10/533,823

FILED : May 3, 2005

CONFIRMATION NO. : 4176

EXAMINER : Aaron Austin

ART UNIT : 1775

LAST OFFICE ACTION : January 5, 2009

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. : AKSZ 2 00004

Cleveland, OH 44115

May 4, 2009

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MAIL STOP RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action mailed January 5, 2009, in the abovereferenced patent application, Applicant(s) respectfully request reconsideration of the application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.